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# THE OYEN NEWS

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OYEN, ALBERTA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3rd. 1918.

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## Get Ready for Spring

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Something doing all the time.

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Watch Mother's Smile!  
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Get them at the

## Oyen Billiard Hall

## Local Items

Russell Taggart returned to his farm south of Oyen last Saturday. Mr. Taggart has been spending the winter in Belton, Ont.

Miss N. Foster, who has been for the last year on the staff of the Bank of Toronto, on receiving news of her father's illness left on Sunday for her home in Carstairs. Miss Foster is expected to accompany her father to Toronto where he will receive medical treatment.

Messieurs Wm. McAllister and Wm. Lammont, who have been visiting friends at Gowan, Sask., returned last Thursday.

For extracting teeth without pain take Somaform gas quick and harmless. See Dr. Taylor, Alsask.

Miss Lorea Robinson of Acadia district returned home on Saturday from Olds Agricultural College. Miss Robinson won her diploma in the Domestic Science course.

Little savings in the preparation of meals, all count for your country. Kill Kaiserism in the kitchen.

Miss L. Evans left on Friday for Edmonton where she will attend the teachers' convention.

Mr. W. C. Johnson returned last Friday from an extended visit he had the pleasure of hearing the popular preacher, Billy Sunday.

The dance which was to have been held in the Oyen Opera house on Monday last was postponed until Thursday, April 18, owing to the inclement weather.

Mr. Leslie Hancock, who has been attending the Manitoba Agricultural College, Winnipeg, arrived in town on Sunday last. During his stay in town he will be the guest of his brother, Mr. H. Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and family left on Saturday for Calgary where they will reside. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, during their stay in town have made many friends who extend to them their best wishes.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Wicks of Fairacres, on Wednesday, April 3rd, a son.

Category "B" men under the Military Service Act will receive their notices to report for service by registered mail. In such case the notice will come from the registrar of the military service district in which the man resides.

## Red Cross Membership Contest

As a result of the canvassing contest for new members in the Red Cross Society two hundred and seventy-four members were enrolled. The ladies who have worked so hard in the campaign are to be congratulated for their splendid success. The following is a list of the number of members obtained and the amount realized:

Mrs. May—	111
Active Members	111
Associate Members	19
130	
Mrs. Briggs—	100
Active Members	100
Associate Members	0
Life Members	4
104	
Total amount membership fees—\$10.00	
Donation	
Total—\$10.00	

## Impossible to Say When Train Will be Running Through to Calgary

It is now nearly two weeks since the train service to Calgary was suspended on the C. N. R. owing to washouts on the track west of Drumheller. The washouts are caused by the Rosebud and Red Deer river flooding their banks. Two bridges have been swept away and others weakened to such an extent that they are unsafe for traffic.

One of the C. N. R. officials here said, in speaking to the news, that it was impossible to say for certain when the train could be running through to Calgary. It would be about fifteen days before the bridges could be built owing to the frost in the ground which made it impossible to drive pile into the ground.

A present passenger for Calgary go round by Stettler which takes nearly takes two days to make the trip.

## To Place All on Equal Basis

Uniform Administration of Military Service Act sought by Questionnaire Method

The great crisis through which the world is now passing has served to emphasize among a great many other things the action that respectability is the price of liberty. Because equal privileges are enjoyed by all citizens of Canada, it is the duty of our Government to see, as far as it is able, that all are made to bear equal sacrifices. That the Dominion's War Government is not ungrateful of its duty in this respect is evidenced from the care that is being taken to ensure the equitable administration of the Military Service Act. Questionnaires are about to be addressed to all exempted men so as to permit of a checking of the decisions in the case of each to the end that uniformity be established in the application of the legislation. These questionnaires must be returned promptly upon penalty of forfeiture of the exemption papers previously granted. Exempted men should notify the registrar of their district of any change of address, as non-receipt will be regarded as constituting failure to return questionnaire, properly filled in as required. The Government is determined that the Military Service Act shall be administered fairly, and in this determination they will have the active support of all citizens of democratic ideas.

## Who's Next?

The following is a list of Victory Bond canvassers who have passed over their completed Oyen Bond canvassers: Rufus Cates, Archie McQuarrie, W. Miller and C. J. Wright.

## Notice to the Public

From now on I will have full charge of installing electric light in the residences and places of business in town within the next three months. I will install lights at great reduced rates. For more information see prices—E. J. Miller.

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## THE OYEN NEWS

OYEN, ALBERTA.

Wednesday, April 3.

## Our Boys

Our enterprising citizens have spent considerable time and thought in improving the conditions in our town. They have been improving the sanitary conditions and inducing the people to co-operate in making the town one of the cleanest on the Goose Lake line. This spirit is fine and needs every encouragement. We have also entered for the social welfare of the adult population by the erection of a fine hall. To any town these things are essential but there is one more thing which to our mind should receive due thought, and that is the entertaining and training of our boys so that they may grow up and make good citizens. So far very little attention has been given to them apart from the school education.

Some time ago it was brought forward to our notice the urgent need for a little wise supervision and guidance over the boys in order that their surplus energy may be directed in the right channels.

"A boy is a boy in every nation. Often called an aggravation. Yet the boys will rule the nation When their wickers grow."

And it behooves us to do everything in our power to give our boys every chance to grow up to be good citizens.

Other towns in the west have been confronted with the same problem and have organized a Boy Scout League which has proved beyond doubt a great pleasure and a help to the boys. This organization is doing a great work in building up of fine characters. It teaches a boy to use his surplus energy in the kind of healthful out-door games which satisfy all his love of excitement and adventure, and best of all is the Boy Scout's code of honor which develops a noble character.

## How to Grow Potatoes

When three hundred and thirty-two years ago, Sir Walter Raleigh introduced the potato from this continent into Ireland, nobody could have foreseen or imagined the immense part that it would come to play in feeding the world. It was nearly eighty years before the Royal Society of England took up the cultivation of the potato as a cheap food in case of famine. In another eighty years, famine in Scotland brought the potato into extensive notice as a cheap article of food. Another thirty years, saw France taking notice of its value. Mr. W. T. Mason, the Dominion Horticulturist, briefly explains all this in a booklet, *How to Grow Potatoes*, recently issued by the Department of Agriculture, in which is also given complete and comprehensive information as to the cultivation of the potato. Mr. Mason goes fully into his subject, dealing with the preparation of the soil, the varieties of seedling, of the manner and method of planting, of protection against insect pests and diseases, of the time to plant, of the districts best suited to the different varieties of the potato, and of the care during growth, and of curing, storing and shipping. Particulars are also given of the results of experiments and tests made at the Experimental farms and stations throughout the Dominion. This booklet can be had free on addressing the Publication Branch, Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa.



## Military Service Act

### Important Announcement to All EXEMPTED MEN and to the Public Generally

IN dealing with the very large number of claims for exemption brought forward for consideration in connection with Class I under the Military Service Act, it has occurred, as was inevitable, that as a result of false statements and difficulties put in the way of investigation, some individuals have secured exemption whose proper place is in the Army.

It is not the intention of the Government to allow these men to evade permanently their obligation to bear their part in the military defence of the Country and of the ideals for which we are fighting. To do so would defeat the purpose of the Act, and cause grave injustice to men in the second class necessarily called out to fill their places.

## Exemptions Granted on False Grounds

It is, therefore, proposed to scrutinize carefully all exemptions granted to date in order to separate those which have been granted on false or insufficient grounds from those that are well founded.

With this object in view the various Registrars under the Military Service Act have been instructed to issue a series of questionnaires to exempted men. These questionnaires must be filled up correctly and returned promptly under penalty of forfeiture of exemption for failure to do so.

## Exempted Men Who Have Changed Address

It is therefore important in their own interest that all exempted men who have changed their address since their exemption was granted and who have not already notified the Registrar of such change should notify him at once. Under the Regulations it is the duty of exempted men to keep the Registrar advised of any change of address, and failure to receive the questionnaire by reason of neglect of this duty must be treated as equivalent to failure to return the questionnaire after receipt.

## Citizens Urged to Assist

In many instances information has been furnished by members of the public which has led to the cancellation of exemptions obtained by false or misleading statements. Further co-operation of this character is invited. The Government regard it as the duty of all loyal citizens, not only to the Country, but to the men at the front, to assist in this way in securing reinforcements on a just and legal basis. Correspondence of this character will be treated as strictly confidential and will receive the fullest investigation.

CHARLES J. DOHERTY,

Minister of Justice.

Correspondence should be directed to J. M. Carson, Esq., Registrar under the Military Service Act, Calgary, Alta. 402M

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## Notice to Stallion Owners

Under the provisions of the new Stallion Act, all stallions which stand or travel in the Province of Alberta hereafter must be inspected by Inspectors appointed by the Department of Agriculture. The schedule to be followed by said Inspector in this district is as follows:

Hawkesdale, April 15, Afternoon Bigstone, April 16, Afternoon  
Clemens, April 17th, Afternoon  
Acadia Valley April 18th, Afternoon

NOTE—Morning inspections mean from 9:00 to 12:00 and afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00, except where otherwise specified.

It is essential that owners have their stallions at their respective stations, as indicated in the above schedule, at the time set, as Inspectors cannot remain longer than the time specified in schedule. It would therefore be advisable that owners bring in their stallions the day before, especially where inspection has to be made in the morning.

In case of pure-breds, owners are requested to produce registration papers.

NOTE—The inspection fee as provided under the Act is \$5.00. Any owner who does not have his stallion inspected at the time the Inspectors are in his vicinity, and who wishes to stand or travel his stallion during the 1918 season, will be required to have his horse examined by the said Inspectors at his own expense in addition to the above fee.

(Signed) H. A. CRAIG, Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

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## Excel Items

At a meeting of the farmers of Excel district held last week Mr. Harris of Fairness organized a local U.F.A., and as a result twenty members being enrolled. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. H. Baken; Vice-Pres., E. S. Watrous; Sec., Treas., R. Runnings. Directors J. T. Abbot, P. Miller and S. B. Guleksson.

Messrs. C. R. Bishop and C. Stone have been appointed agents for the Massey-Harris Implement Company for Excel district and consequently have built warehouse and office in town. They expect a car load of farm machinery in a few days.

## Farmers Ready For Seeding

During all last week the farmers in this district were busy lining-up to be ready for the "Spring Drive" on the land by getting their repairs and buying new implements so that they could commence work on the land this week. Xaver Brown has the farmers shown such an eagerness to get on the land, and in spite of last year's crop not being so large, yet there is an optimistic outlook on the future and a feeling of confidence that this year's harvest will be better than ever. Apart from this, every farmer bears in this mind, that while the boys over in the trenches are doing their bit for liberty, it is up to him to put forward every effort in trying to produce all he can, and by so doing he will help the Allies to win the war.

Last week a number of farmers were working on the land, and had it not been for the break in the weather by a heavy snow storm which commenced on Sunday, seeding would have begun on Monday.

## To Prospective Car Buyers

When buying a car do you realize the value of service?—the essential thing in the business world. It requires but a few minutes to buy a car, but the moment you become an owner you are thereafter in the market for our service. Buy a car that has established service arrangements and a record of service to maintain.

Consider the matter from the most practical side. You would not buy a drill, or plow that had not good local service arrangements, and yet many will buy a car that has established service arrangements and a record of service to maintain. The agency they fall for it and naturally some of their friends with them. A little later they find that it is not a car they have purchased but some very dear experience along with it, of course their is the comfort of knowing that dear experience is the best of comfort comes from that knowledge.

We have profited from considerable experience in the motor car business and offer you the product of that experience—a good service, a modern garage well equipped and an assurance that we are in the business to stay—it is not a side line with us but a business and our efforts will doubtless reveal cases of agents for cars who stayed in the business for many years and the next year were back at their old business as hard as ever—that is their privilege of course, but a man must suffer who buys a car from a dealer with no arrangements for car attention but in his hat such a dealer's position. It appears to us, is something like that of the proverbial "city of the dead" which we are told makes a brave showing with little effort.

We offer the foregoing in a friendly spirit of warning to the prospective purchaser of that great motor car, the motor car—Peterson Motor Company Ltd. (Advt.)

## CLASSIFIED ADS.

REWARD—For information leading to recovery of two horses strayed from sec. 24-28-2 west 4th, one bay gelding branded "3" on top of left hip. One dark brown gelding, one left hind foot white, white hair collar, one white hind foot, Finley Brothers, Lacombe, Sask.

FOR SALE—Three good cows. Apply E. H. Church, Sec. 17-28-4.

FOR SALE—Brown Turkeys, \$1.00 each, delivered at Oyen. Apply Mrs. Alex. Moore, Excel.

\$25 REWARD. For information leading to the recovery of the following horses—strayed from Simon Crowley, 35-28-5, since December last. Mary with full white face and light colored legs, brand N T on hip. Gelding, with white star on forehead, brand N T on hip. Bay Gelding, white star on forehead, brand 3 S on shoulder. Chestnut Gelding, full white face, brand 5 on shoulder.

FOR SALE—Three steers and one heifer, 18 months old, Shroton breed. Can be seen at north 1 section 1-28-5. W. M. Sanders.

FOR SALE—1 yr old horse, and one cow rising 1 yrs. Strip for cash—C. W. Ostrander, Oyen.

FOR SALE—Rosa comb Rhode Island Red pure bred eggs for hatching, 15 for \$1.00. A. C. Thomas, 15-28-3, Oyen.

FOR SALE—A five old registered Cattle stallion, first class stock horse, and a nine year old gelding, weighing 1850 lbs. I have owned about 200 of these horse's colts and they are nice drafty fellows. Both to be sold on credit. W. A. Reid, Alaska Park.

LOST—Light Bay Colt, coming one old, lost since December. Reward for information leading to recovery. E. Tresser, Oyen.

LOST—One Brown horse, weight, 1200 lb. Brand with a cross on L and X on left shoulder. E. Budd, Oyen.

FOR SALE—Second hand Cuckoo 1030 outhrow Disc in good condition. Box 12, Oyen.

LOST—Two Dark Bay Geldings, the first 3 years, weight 1300 lbs. each, brand 3 and a cross on left shoulder which was visible when last seen. Forsters (timed last fall). \$10 reward for their recovery. Chas. H. Thomas, St. 7-27-6 & 7, Cereal, Alta.

STRAYED—From 6-20-28 west of 3rd, about December 15, bay gelding, 11 years, weight 1775 lbs. with a little white on hind foot. Bay mare, 9 yrs 1225 lbs. White hind feet and one white foot, white collar. Brand on hip. \$10 reward for information leading to recovery. Trudon Bros., Alaska Park.

Readers for Sale—A number of Rhode Island Reds at \$2.00 each. E. Watrous, half mile east of Excel.

WANTED—Competent gas engineer and plowman to run a steel Mule Kerosene tractor and three plows. This tractor has a guarantee of plowing one acre an hour if properly handled and kept in repair. I will pay one dollar an acre for Spring plowing. For further particulars see W. E. Woods, 36-28-4, Oyen P.O.

STRAYED—On Sec. 22-27-4, a 1 yr old mare, weight about 1100 lbs. Owner may have same by applying to Hugh McKernan, Benton.

Lost—Since March 14th, a bay gelding weight about 1550 lbs. black type. A reward will be given for information leading to recovery of same. W. A. Reid, Alaska Park, Benton, Alta.

## Pound Notice

One brown gelding pup with four white feet, white stripe on face, one eye out, halter on, age about 10 years, weight 600 lbs., was impounded in the pound kept by the undersigned on the south west 1/4 28-2, W. of 4th.

W. H. Ayer, Poundkeeper.

## Work Horses for Sale

We have several good work horses for sale at reasonable prices. These horses are in splendid shape for Spring work and well broken. We are expecting a car load of first-class horses including mares and geldings, weighing from 1300 lbs to 1600 lbs. Prices reasonable. See these horses before purchasing elsewhere.

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## Tenders Wanted

Tenders will be received for the supply of material and erection of a new wire fence around the bounds of the Fairweather School premises, size about 22 rods square. Tenders received up to noon April 20th, 1918. J. P. Horaback, Sec. Alcan.